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Date \_\_\_\_\_

**REPORT OF INVESTIGATION BY MEDICAL EXAMINER**

DECEDENT First-Middle-Last Names (Please avoid use of initials) TEDDY OLIVER LINDSEY	Age 3 Day(s)	Birth Date 3/30/2018	Race WHITE	Sex M
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HOME ADDRESS - No. - Street, City, State  
9610 STRATFORD DR, THE VILLAGE, OK

EXAMINER NOTIFIED BY - NAME - TITLE (AGENCY, INSTITUTION, OR ADDRESS) ALMA SKELTON, BAPTIST ER	DATE 4/2/2018	TIME 3:35
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INJURED OR BECAME ILL AT (ADDRESS) 9610 STRATFORD DR	CITY THE VILLAGE	COUNTY OKLAHOMA	TYPE OF PREMISES RESIDENCE	DATE Unknown	TIME Unknown
LOCATION OF DEATH INTEGRIS BAPTIST ER	CITY OKLAHOMA CITY	COUNTY OKLAHOMA	TYPE OF PREMISES HOSPITAL	DATE 4/2/2018	TIME 3:13
BODY VIEWED BY MEDICAL EXAMINER 921 NE 23RD ST	CITY OKLAHOMA CITY	COUNTY OKLAHOMA	TYPE OF PREMISES AUTOPSY SUITE	DATE 4/2/2018	TIME 12:30

IF MOTOR VEHICLE ACCIDENT: ☐ DRIVER ☐ PASSENGER ☐ PEDESTRIAN

TYPE OF VEHICLE: ☐ AUTOMOBILE ☐ LIGHT TRUCK ☐ HEAVY TRUCK ☐ BICYCLE ☐ MOTORCYCLE ☐ OTHER: \_\_\_\_\_

DESCRIPTION OF BODY	RIGOR	LIVOR	EXTERNAL OBSERVATION		NOSE	MOUTH	EARS
EXTERNAL PHYSICAL EXAMINATION	Jaw <input type="checkbox"/> Complete <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Color PURPLE	Beard _____ Hair DARK _____	BLOOD	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Neck <input type="checkbox"/> Absent <input type="checkbox"/>	Lateral <input type="checkbox"/>	Eyes: Color BLUE _____ Mustache _____	OTHER	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Arms <input type="checkbox"/> Passing <input type="checkbox"/>	Posterior <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Opacities _____				
	Legs <input type="checkbox"/> Passed <input type="checkbox"/>	Anterior <input type="checkbox"/>	Pupils: R 0.2 IN L 0.2 IN				
	Decomposed <input type="checkbox"/>	Regional _____	Body Length 17 IN Body Weight 5 LBS				

Significant observations and injury documentations - (Please use space below)  
NEWBORN INFANT. NO FATAL INJURY.

*Probable Cause of Death:*

**SUDDEN UNEXPECTED INFANT DEATH**

*Manner of Death:*

Natural ☐ Accident ☐  
Suicide ☐ Homicide ☐  
Unknown ☒ Pending ☐  
Not Assigned ☐

*Case disposition:*

Autopsy YES  
Authorized by EDANA STROBERG D.O.  
Pathologist CLAY NICHOLS M.D.  
Not a medical examiner case ☐

*Other significant conditions contributing to death (but not resulting in the underlying cause given)*

**UNSAFE SLEEP ENVIRONMENT AND LOW BIRTH WEIGHT INFANT**

**MEDICAL EXAMINER:**

Name, Address and Telephone No.

EDANA STROBERG D.O.

921 N.E. 23rd ST

OKLAHOMA CITY, OK 73105

I hereby state that, after receiving notice of the death described herein, I conducted an investigation as to the cause and manner of death, as required by law, and that the facts contained herein regarding such death are true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Signature of Medical Examiner

Computer generated report

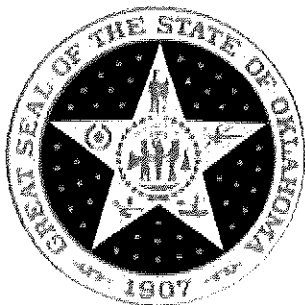
EDANA STROBERG D.O.

4/2/2018

Date Case Initiated

12/12/2018

Date Case Finalize



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## REPORT OF AUTOPSY

Decedent <b>TEDDY OLIVER LINDSEY</b>	Age <b>3 Day(s)</b>	Birth Date <b>3/30/2018</b>	Race <b>WH</b>	Sex <b>M</b>	Case No <b>1801666</b>
Means <b>UNDETERMINED</b>	ID By <b>VISUAL</b>	Authority for Autopsy <b>CLAY NICHOLS, M.D.</b>			
Present at Autopsy <b>ANTHONY AUSTIN AND CLAY NICHOLS, M.D.</b>			Autopsy Report Completed by: <b>EDANA STROBERG, D.O.</b>		

### FINDINGS

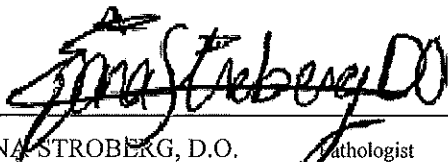
- I. Newborn male infant (3 days old)
  - A. Per medical records, born at full term
  - B. Low birth weight (4 pounds, 4.5 ounces at birth)
- II. Slight jaundice
- III. Numerous squamous epithelial cells in alveolar spaces of lungs
- IV. Adrenal cortical hypertrophy
- V. Per scene investigation, unsafe sleep environment with portable sleeping dock inside bassinet

**CAUSE OF DEATH:** SUDDEN UNEXPECTED INFANT DEATH

**OSC:** UNSAFE SLEEP ENVIRONMENT AND LOW BIRTH WEIGHT INFANT

**MANNER OF DEATH:** UNDETERMINED

The facts stated herein are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

  
EDANA STROBERG, D.O. Pathologist

OCME Central Division 4/2/2018 12:30 PM

Location of Autopsy Date and Time of Autopsy

### **MEDICOLEGAL INVESTIGATION**

- I. Circumstances of Death:** According to Investigator reports, the decedent was a 3-day-old infant who was found unresponsive by his mother. According to the mother, he was fed breast milk at approximately 2300 hours and she last saw him at approximately 2345 hours where he appeared normal. She awoke around 0215 hours and found the infant cold to the touch inside the bassinet and believed his breathing to be weak. She attempted to warm him with skin-to-skin contact prior to calling 911. He was transported to the Emergency Department where he was pronounced. Scene investigation revealed the decedent was sleeping in a portable sleeping dock which was placed inside a bassinet. The decedent was born full-term at a birthing center, according to the mother, and weighed 4 pounds and 4.5 ounces at birth. She returned home with the baby the same day and a nurse came to the residence once per day since birth.
- II. Authorization:** The postmortem examination is performed under the authorization of the Office of the Chief Medical Examiner, Central Division, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.
- III. Identification:** The body is identified through visual recognition. Digital photographs and radiographs of the deceased are taken.

### **POSTMORTEM EXAMINATION**

- I. Circumstances of Examination:** The postmortem examination of Teddy Oliver Lindsey is performed at the Office of the Chief Medical Examiner, Central Division, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, on April 2, 2018, commencing at 1230 hours. The autopsy is performed by Clay Nichols, M.D. and assisting in the examination is Anthony Austin. The autopsy report is completed by Edana Stroberg, D.O.
- II. Clothing and Personal Effects:** The body is received clad in a white diaper.
- III. External Evidence of Medical Therapy:** See below.
- IV. Collections:** Blood samples on filter paper are retained and introduced as evidence.

### **EXTERNAL EXAMINATION**

The body is that of a 17 inch, 5 pound male infant who appears the reported age of 3 days. The body is refrigerated, well-preserved, and not embalmed. The body has a slight yellow discoloration. Livor mortis is both anterior and posterior. The skin is dry. The scalp has light brown hair. The irides are blue. The congested conjunctivae have no petechiae. The external auditory canals are unremarkable. The neck and chest are symmetrical. The abdomen is slightly protuberant and has a healing umbilical cord stump. The back is symmetrical. The external genitalia are those of a male infant. The extremities have no deformities. The crown-to-rump length is 31 centimeters. The head circumference is 32 centimeters, chest circumference is 26.5 centimeters, and abdomen circumference is 26 centimeters. The foot lengths are 6 centimeters each.

### **EVIDENCE OF MEDICAL INTERVENTION**

A white hospital identification bracelet is around the right thigh. An endotracheal tube protrudes from the mouth. A single lumen intravenous catheter extends from the posterior aspect of the left hand. An adhesive defibrillator pad is on the back.

### **INTERNAL EXAMINATION**

**CARDIOVASCULAR SYSTEM:** The heart is 14 grams. No abnormalities are reported.

**PULMONARY SYSTEM:** The right and left lungs are 23 grams and 19 grams, respectively. No abnormalities are reported.

**LIVER AND PANCREAS:** The liver is 69 grams. No abnormalities are reported. The gallbladder is present.

**RETICULOENDOTHELIAL SYSTEM:** The spleen is 8 grams. The thymus is 4 grams. No abnormalities are reported.

**GASTROINTESTINAL TRACT:** No features or abnormalities of the esophagus, stomach, or bowels are reported. The appendix is present.

**GENITOURINARY SYSTEM:** The right and left kidneys are 11 grams and 10 grams, respectively. No abnormalities are reported.

**HEAD AND CENTRAL NERVOUS SYSTEM:** The brain is 343 grams. No abnormalities are reported.

### **TOXICOLOGY**

See attached report.

### **HEART BLOOD CULTURE**

Organism isolated: *Staphylococcus epidermidis*

NOTE: This is likely a contaminant.

### **NASOPHARYNGEAL SWAB CULTURE**

No organisms isolated.

### **NEWBORN SCREEN**

No abnormalities detected.

**MICROSCOPIC EXAMINATION**

**Heart (1 section, H&E):** No significant histopathology.

**Lung (2 sections, H&E):** Multifocal epithelial squamous cells in alveolar spaces.

**Adrenal Gland (2 sections, H&E):** Prominent zona reticularis in cortex consistent with adrenal cortical hypertrophy.

**Kidney (2 sections, H&E):** No significant histopathology.

**Pancreas (1 section, H&E):** No significant histopathology.

**Thyroid (1 section, H&E):** No significant histopathology.

**Liver (1 section, H&E):** No significant histopathology.

**Brain (1 section, H&E):** No significant histopathology.

**Thymus (1 section, H&E):** No significant histopathology.

CASE SUMMARY

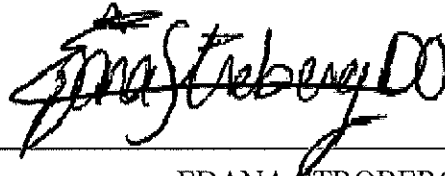
The decedent was a 3-day-old male infant who was found unresponsive in his bassinet by his mother. The decedent was born at a birthing center, reportedly full-term, and the mother and decedent returned home the same day. The infant weighed 4 pounds, 4.5 ounces (approximately 1950 grams) at birth, according to the mother. Infants born who weigh less than 2500 grams are considered low birth weight infants. This can be due to prematurity or intrauterine growth restriction, each having many different etiologic factors and each requiring varying levels of additional medical care. An autopsy examination revealed a 5 pound infant male with mild jaundice and numerous epithelial squamous cells in the alveolar spaces of the lungs. These findings in the lungs can contribute to respiratory difficulty and may indicate fetal lung immaturity. Given that the infant was born at a birthing center and discharged home the same day, both the mother and decedent received limited medical care. It is therefore not known what medical conditions may have contributed to his death.

In addition, the infant was placed to sleep in a portable sleeping dock, inside a bassinet. Placing this particular portable sleeping dock inside a crib, bassinet, or other sleep surface is against the manufacturer's warnings. The portable sleeping dock has soft, pillow-like edges. Rebreathing carbon dioxide is widely believed to be a major contributor to deaths of infants placed in unsafe sleep environments.

In my opinion, based on the circumstances surrounding death and the findings at autopsy, Teddy Oliver Lindsey died as a result of sudden unexpected infant death with an unsafe sleep environment and low birth weight as contributing factors.

The manner of death is undetermined.

The opinion as the cause and manner of death is based on the information available at the date of this report. If additional objective, probative information becomes available, I reserve the right to consider such information, and if appropriate, amend the report, including the cause and manner of death.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Edana Stroberg DO". The signature is stylized with a large, looped "E" and "S".

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EDANA STROBERG, D.O.

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**REPORT OF LABORATORY ANALYSIS**

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Date \_\_\_\_\_

ME CASE NUMBER: 1801666

LABORATORY NUMBER: 181370

DECEDENT'S NAME: TEDDY OLIVER LINDSEY

DATE RECEIVED: 4/4/2018

MATERIAL SUBMITTED: BLOOD, VITREOUS, LIVER, BRAIN, GASTRIC

HOLD STATUS: 1 YEAR

SUBMITTED BY: ANTHONY AUSTIN

MEDICAL EXAMINER: CLAY NICHOLS M.D.

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**NOTES:**

**ETHYL ALCOHOL:**

Blood: NEGATIVE (Heart)

Vitreous:

Other:

**CARBON MONOXIDE**

Blood:

**TESTS PERFORMED:**

ALKALINE DRUG SCREEN - (Heart Blood)

ACID/NEUTRAL DRUG SCREEN - (Heart Blood)

EIA - (Heart Blood) - Amphetamine, Methamphetamine, Fentanyl, Cocaine, Opiates, PCP, Barbiturates, Benzodiazepines  
(The EIA panel does not detect Oxycodone, Methadone, Lorazepam or Clonazepam)

**RESULTS:**

NONE DETECTED

05/02/2018

DATE



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BYRON CURTIS, PH.D., F-ABFT, Chief Forensic Toxicologist